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HAZMAT Orientation Training Scheduled in North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health will provide HAZMAT Orientation training across the state throughout June 2004. The training will be offered to hospital personnel, first responders, emergency managers and public health officials across North Dakota.

The training will include a morning session focusing on basic decontamination procedures and an afternoon session focusing on emergency plan writing. Participants will have the option of choosing just one session or attending both.

The training will be lead by Tony Rich, an adjunct instructor with the National Fire Academy, Southwest Michigan Fire Science Consortium and American College of Forensic Examiners International as well as numerous state training agencies. Rich serves as an adjunct faculty at Louisiana State University Academy for Counter Terrorism Education and is a lead facilitator and lecturer for the Federal Emergency Management Agency at the Healthcare Leadership for Weapons of Mass Destruction program at Anniston, Alabama.

A schedule of training dates and locations follows this news release. For more information, contact Gary Yantzer at 701.328.2273.

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HAZMAT Orientation Training Schedule

DATE	<u>CITY</u>	MEETING LOCATION	TIME
June 2	Dickinson	Hospitality Inn	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 7	Bismarck	Comfort Inn	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
June 9	Williston	Public Health Unit	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 10	Minot	Holiday Inn	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 14	Jamestown	Gladstone Select Inn	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
June 15	Fargo	Fargo Dome	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
June 16	Grand Forks	Parkwood Place	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 17	Devils Lake	Great American Inn	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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